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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I feel that this lawsuit should never have been brought against Microsoft in the first place. To me, it seems, the suit was a result of successful lobbying by Microsoft's competitors. However, I am happy to see that the Department of Justice has finally gotten the sense to resolve this matter.

The settlement has taken far too long to be reached and would have liked to see it more deferential toward Microsoft, rather than requiring Microsoft to disclose information about internal interfaces within Windows and subjecting the company to the scrutiny of a technical review committee. However, I would hope that you would let your decision stand and not be further influenced by anti-Microsoft parties.

I'm glad to offer my opinion on this matter, and I hope that you will use your influence to encourage the rest of the states to settle their suit against Microsoft so they will finally be left alone.

Sincerely,

Robert Nelson